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MEMORANDUM FOR: Comptroller

FROM:

William F. Donnelly

Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT:

Report on SAFE Program

REFERENCE:

Memorandum for DDA from Comptroller, dtd 14 May 86,

Same Subject

This memorandum responds to your request for information on Project SAFE. Because CIA and DIA are in different phases of SAFE implementation, it is difficult to provide a single answer for some of the issues that have been identified. Therefore, we have opted to provide information on CIA plans for accommodating SAFE, both now and in the future, in addition to describing the joint responsibilities of the two Agencies. Our individual responses as well as those pertaining to the Consolidated SAFE Program Office have been coordinated with DIA.

1. "..plan for the transition of CSPO to separate Agency management structures."

The Consolidated SAFE Project Office (CSPO) is developing a Transition Plan which identifies those tasks, schedules, and resource commitments necessary to ensure an orderly transition to separate agency management. The current Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), signed by the CIA/DDA and DIA/RS, will be modified as necessary to effect this orderly transition. The first iterations of the plan are currently under review by management in both agencies. The final version and any necessary changes to the MOA will be available for signature by 1 October 1986.

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2. "..plan for the programming of sufficient resources to support SAFE system operations and maintenance."

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In FY87, Project SAFE will achieve full operational capability, marking the last year of additional new funding for this long-standing initiative. At that time, the program will have met its original operational requirements of users. It will also include a number of functional capabilities that have been refined over the life of the initiative. As with any other ongoing initiative that enters the Base, sufficient resources have been identified to maintain the SAFE system at these levels at CIA, beginning in FY88.

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functionality to meet unsatisfied SAFE user requirements."

While SAFE will have met its original goal of supporting users, we know that the original requirements, which date from the mid-1970s when SAFE was initially designed, are no longer viable. SAFE is the cornerstone of the DI effort to handle the greatly increased volume of information that we will receive from new collection systems.

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mid-1970s when SAFE was initially designed, are no longer viable. SAFE is the cornerstone of the DI effort to handle the greatly increased volume of information that we will receive from new collection systems. All DI analysts must have access to the SAFE system to cope with this anticipated information explosion and to meet policymaker demands for analysis on a growing number of important issues. Therefore, CIA has planned to extend those capabilities developed in response to the original SAFE requirements to an additional users, beginning in FY87. This program, known as SAFE includes resources to add new functional capabilities—in FY88 and beyond—based on several years of experience with the current system. Because the formulation of new requirements is not a static process, we anticipate that our list of

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new capabilities will change as users identify additional ways to use SAFE.

4. "..plan for the sharing of future individually developed SAFE technologies."

Each agency will continue to present their plans and status at a jointly attended bi-monthly SAFE progress review. This forum will provide each agency visibility and an opportunity for sharing future technologies.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM

Daniel A. Childs, Jr.

Comptroller

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DCI Guidance for Formulation of FY 1988-1992 NFIP,

Dated 6 May 1986

1. DCI guidance on the FY 1988-1992 program directs the Central Intelligence Agency to report to the Director of the Intelligence Community Staff on the status of the SAFE program. Specifically, the DCI directs:

"As implementation of the SAFE program progresses, improved information handling capabilities are being provided to CIA and DIA; however, the full set of SAFE system requirements is not expected to be completed by FY 1987. To ensure efficient and cost-effective planning for successful completion of the joint agency SAFE program, CIA, in conjunction with DIA, shall plan for: (1) the transition of CSPO to separate agency management structures; (2) the programming of sufficient resources to support SAFE system operations and maintenance; (3) the continued development of system functionality to meet unsatisfied SAFE user requirements; and (4) the sharing of future individually developed SAFE technologies." The DCI requests "a report describing planning and actions to accomplish the foregoing."

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2. Please forward the report to this Office by 15 July for submission to the IC Staff. Do not hesitate to contact my staff if we can be of assistance

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Daniel A. Childs, Jr.

cc: Deputy Director for Intelligence

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